



FEMA

Scott R. Morris: Deputy Chief of Staff

Scott Morris was appointed deputy chief of staff for the Federal Emergency Management Agency, part of the newly created Department of Homeland Security, by President Bush in November 2003. Mr. Morris assists in managing the day-to-day operations of the agency, and aides in implementing Under Secretary Michael Brown's priorities and policies to ensure effective and efficient emergency management programs at all levels. FEMA, which became part of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security in March 2003, prepares the nation for all hazards and manages federal response and recovery efforts following any national incident. FEMA also initiates mitigation activities, trains first responders, works with state and local emergency managers and manages the National Flood Insurance Program and the U.S. Fire Administration.

Before joining FEMA, Mr. Morris served as the deputy chief of staff and White House liaison for the U.S. Small Business Administration. Mr. Morris was also the marketing director for the world's leading provider of e-business applications software in California, and worked for Maverick Media in Austin, Texas as a media strategist for the George W. Bush for President primary campaign and the Bush-Cheney 2000 campaign.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Morris worked in the Washington, D.C. area as the director of political communications for a private communications firm; he managed grassroots activities and media strategies for the Dole for President campaign, and assisted the executive director of the Republican National Committee.

Mr. Morris is a graduate of the University of Kansas with a bachelor's degree in communications and is a native of Emporia, Kansas.

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